

**GOSHEN AGRICULTURE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
July 10, 2018**

Attendees: Clint Thorn, George Schuster, Seth Breakell & Tom Breor

Excused: Judy Finerghy, Mary Tracey, Andrea Loomis, Ed Wright & Sharon Laughlin

Clint Thorn called the meeting to order at 7:17 PM.

Elizabeth Moore and Matilda, her dog, from the Connecticut Farmland Trust made a presentation. They stated that the Department of Ag will pay 50% to get land back into farms. Conservation of soil easement is the money. They have helped farms in South Glastonbury, Colchester, Lebanon and Cornwall. If the land is accepted into the program there is a building envelope that the farmer may build on with the proper permits. Hoses need to be registered first. Agricultural buildings need to be in the envelope or you may build with a permit. You can not cover over 5% of the soil.

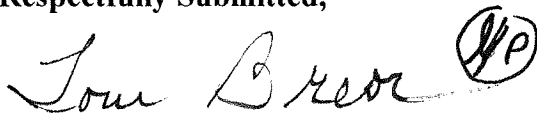
**Federal – applied through State, towards the end of the year.
State – rolling anytime directly
DEEP – partner organization
Dept. of Ag – Anytime and Apply**

You just apply and if they are interested they will contact you.

**Comm. Farms – 5 -35 acres – Local match of funding needed
FPP – 35 acres and up – No Match – just State level
No horse properties
No Historic Values**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Tom Breor, Secretary Pro-tem

Received July 18, 2018 @ 1:25 P.M.

Attest Barbara Z. Brun
Goshen Town Clerk